

EPN

October 20, 1986  
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Dear Tett,

I am now living/working in East Lansing once again. I'll probably be here another 2-3 years. I am happy & getting re-acquainted with old friends. Hopefully you haven't been through a job change/move lately; they're terribly disruptive.

I received a list today of the coins  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents in the Norweb estate. You may be interested in knowing the finest known 1794 C6 Fine 15 Ex Brobst is in the collection. There is also a VF30 1804 C4, bought from Stack's in 1962 which is likely Ex Brobst (RSC thinks Norman Stack may have placed the coin w. Mrs. Norweb). It is only CC3 ~~as~~ there is a now AU50 in a California collection. There are a number of other CC  $\frac{1}{2}$  'ks, but none that have been counted as CC1. RSC told me to write you specifically about one coin. The 1854 copper nickel pattern Ex Farouk is in this collection. RSC strongly suggested I tell only you the location of this coin so you could examine and/or acquire the coin. As you can see from the list which I've enclosed, Randell bought lot 1700 of the Farouk collection, and many of those went to Mrs. Norweb. It's really too bad she was not an active EAC'er. I'm sure many great stories died with her. Speaking of great stories, I hope you put on paper what you know about the Showers collection and how you acquired the coins you wanted.

I have read in PW and in Cohen & Breen about the breakup of the Showers collection and have felt ~~that~~ the details were scanty. Even if such an article weren't published in your lifetime, make <sup>it gets written</sup> sure. I met Mr. Eric Newman at the ANA this summer, and he seemed ~~enthusiastic~~ supportive of the idea I stop in to see his money museum.

This summer I helped RSC acquire two top-notch coins for his collection: The first was an 1809 C5 MS63 and well struck for \$1600. The coin has 20% red. I doubt if it's finest known, but it's the best I have seen. The 2nd is a 1794 C9 of a very late die state. The die was failing on the right side both obv. & rev. The coin has original red (5 to 10%). It is probably a 55 or 60, but the price was reasonable since the coin was so poorly struck. One of these days I'll come to St. Louis to see your collection, then I'd know if a coin would be an upgrade for you.

Gene Craig is tentatively planning a whist match with Bob Yoell to be held in Cleveland (the date hasn't been set yet). Anyway, it would be great if you could come (whenever it does happen) and bring your die states of 1804 C6. Gene and Roger have 20 or 30 die states between them. ☺

God bless,  
Frank Wilkinson

**MOCAB** for EPN

Mrs. R. Henry Norwell half cent coll. 5/86 by Del Bland

1793 G-1 20 63 1953 ANA: 1444

G-2 35 63 Pickar 3/22/55

G-4 45 65 well struck, no rev. rim break. Stack's 7/17/56 <sup>Q600-</sup>

1794 G-2 20 67 Edder 11/12/09

G-3 12 35 Pickar 9/1/57

G-3 8 " ex. 1957 ANA: 37 - Washburn

G-4 55 60 Schalman 4/3/59: 868

G-5 35 50 Pickar 5/26/60

⊗ G-6 15 12 ex. ~~1957~~ <sup>1953</sup> ~~10~~ Ordston - Stahl's, 1963

1795 G-1 15 65 line-like flan crack across obv., <sup>ex. 1956</sup> ANA: 1157, clean + restored

G-4 25 58 usual weak striking no pedigree

G-5 damage 1565 coin - edge rolled 1953 ANA 27? ex. 1953 ANA 27? - NN 6/23/54

G-6 a 45 <sup>69</sup> but bad flan crack lower obv., worse on upper rev.

G-6 b 15 40 Pickar, 1960

G-7 5 30 Pickar, 3/30/55

✓ G-8 7 8 Penn - Ohio 1959, lot 41

1796 G-1 35 63 darkish spot around most of R in LIBERTY, a lighter smaller one opposite forehead, lenticles behind neck + above STATES weak or missing ex. Klein, 1888? - Chapman - Ellsworth - W. Raymond - Ryder - NN <sup>14/5/20</sup> 6/54: 274

G-2 10 60 edge dent below 79, obv. abraded at 9:00, a trace of rev. roughness, diagonal scratch from <sup>near</sup> neck to right stem, a bit of pitting between ST ex. Aushey - Ryder - W. Raymond - NN 6/23/54, lot? Gilbert plate coin

1797 G-1 20 30 light diagonal scratch nose down to near edge, a subtle one nose to near base of T, obv. well off center at 1:30, rev. recent 3:30, rev. abraded brown ex. Hollisbeck 11/30/56

diagonal  
anodic hair  
behind eye  
across face

1797 G-1 730 Farouk: 1700

✓ G-2 grizzled edge 58 obv. well off center at 7:00, rev.  
well off center at 11:00 ex. Jenkins; 6245 - ? NN <sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 2/56

1800 G-1 5563 Chapman, 1909

1802 G-1 730 cleaned + recolored well <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 37

G-2 1220 defects below last 2 digits of date + to the  
right (undertype?); ex. Kenneth Readell 8/1/60

1803 G-1 2058 Picker 8/1/57

G-4 645 " "

1804 G-1 12 ↓ rev. Four <sup>2</sup> 173 9/13:522 - Ryder - W. Raymond -  
Picker, 1958

⊗ G-1 4540 Hollinshead, 1961

G-3 5565 ex. Brand - 1957. ADA: 43

G-4 5565 but "grizzled" ex. Picker, 1961

G-5 4063 NN "1/56: 373

G-9 1032 Picker 8/1/57

⊗ G-10 3015 Stach's, 1962

1805 G-2 4565 Holmes: 1302

G-3 1030 numerous tiny nicks in right obv. field, a  
few <sup>heavier</sup> opposite top of neck, rev. E in CENT weak, part  
of H + C weak <sup>rev.</sup> off center at 11:00 Gilbert plate coin?

1806 obv G-1 rev G-2 510 Picker, 1960

G-2 3555 Picker 8/1/57

1807 G-1 4563 cleaned + recolored Hollinshead 8/30/58 later date

1809 G-1 2565 Low 9/5/08

G-2 5062 Hollinshead 8/30/58

G-3 3555 long edge dent over center 7 NN <sup>6/54</sup>; 301

1809 undated 1032 Pickar 8/25/56

✓ G-4 60+65 " 8/1/57

G-5 55<sup>65</sup> but softly struck NN 8/22/55

1810 G-1 55<sup>65</sup> rev. cleaned + recolored Pickar 8/1/57

1811 G-1 45<sup>60</sup><sub>55</sub> but cleaned + recolored, dark area dark  
NITE Pickar 8/1/57

✓ G-2 60<sup>67</sup> somewhat profile like ex. Middley, 1857 - Clemens -  
Cleary - Elder \*83 9/13:404 - Rydar - W. Raymond -  
NN sale 6/23/54

1825 G-1 40<sup>67</sup> Baldukhoff "155:102

G-2 55<sup>60</sup> no pedigree

1828 G-3 55<sup>65</sup> Pickar, 1959

⊗ 1831 G-1 original 45<sup>40</sup> Farouk: 1700

G-1 " Proof 50<sup>60</sup><sub>but</sub> diagonal line of tiny nicks from curl on  
face to right of star 2, bronzed ex NN, 1958

G-1 original Proof 55<sup>60</sup><sub>P</sub> darkish area on edge over star 5

ex. Elder 10/17/08 @ 52.50

G-2 1<sup>st</sup> strike <sup>large berries</sup> Proof 60<sup>+</sup><sub>P</sub> sticks 2/58:515 a  
tiny reddish spot close on the front of head

G-3 2<sup>nd</sup> strike small berries Proof 60<sup>+</sup><sub>P</sub> <sup>NONE</sup> many  
very minute carbon spots on obv. Farouk: 1700

1832 G-1 Proof 60<sup>+</sup><sub>P</sub> TJC:404

G-3 40<sup>63</sup> cleaned + recolored Baldukhoff "155:109

1833 G-1 60<sup>+</sup><sub>P</sub> profile like Green 10/28/08 @ 94

1834 G-1 Proof 65<sup>+</sup><sub>P</sub> TJC:466

1835 G-1 Proof 63<sup>+</sup><sub>P</sub> TJC: 467

G-1 55<sup>65</sup> Mooney sale golden color

1836 G-1 original Proof 60 P Farouk: 1700

G-2 1<sup>st</sup> restrike large berries Proof 63 P

st. Allenburger: 942 - ?      - Stacks 3/58: 733

1840 G-1 original Proof 65 P E. Seale @ 80.-

G-2 1<sup>st</sup> rest. recent HALF CENT Proof 60+P Stacks 11/57: 105

G-3 2<sup>nd</sup> " die file marks on ICA Proof 60+P Eder @ 56.50

1841 G-1 Proof 60+P Eder 12/17/08 @ 33 -

G-2 Proof 60 P Stacks, 1963 struck on thin plan

G-3 Proof 60 P Farouk: 1700      "      "      "

G-3 Proof 60 P Mohl 1/2/37      "      "      "

1842 G-1 Proof 67 P Stacks 11/57: 107

✓ G-1 12 bought from ?      on 10/17/08 @ 78.65

G-2 Proof 60 P Farouk: 1700

G-3 Proof 63 P Eder @ 80.-

1843 G-1 Proof 67 P Eder @ 50.-

G-2 Proof 60+P <sup>but</sup> with faint marks on obv. Morganthau 9/35<sup>0</sup> 61.-

G-3 Proof 63 P a 1957 sale, lot 31<sup>st</sup> as "B 1-C part of  
desc. needs --- Easierly examine from the future ad--

1844 G-1 Proof 60 P Farouk: 1700

G-2 Proof 60+P small obv. color spots Stacks 11/56: 28

G-3 Proof 63 P Farouk: 1700

1845 G-1 Proof 60 P Morganthau 9/35 @ 71.-

G-2 Proof 63 P Farouk: 1700

G-3 Proof 63 P Eder @ 111.50

1846 G-1 Proof 60+P morganthau 9/35 @ 75.-

G-2 Proof 63 P no pedigree cost 55.-

G-3 Proof 60 TJC: 479

1847 G-1 Proof 60 P Morgan dollar  $\frac{9}{35}$  @ 86.-

G-3 Proof 63 P Edder @ 44.-

1848 G-1 Proof 60 P French: 1700

G-2 Proof 63 P Edder @ 48.-

G-3 Proof 60 P Stack's  $\frac{3}{58}$ : 741 horizontal line mark from

G-3 Proof 60 P NN  $\frac{7}{29}$ /55

1849 G-1 Proof 63 P bought from ? on  $\frac{9}{6/09}$  @ 30.-

G-2 Proof 63 P Edder  $\frac{10}{17/08}$

1850 rev. of 1849 B: 116-1A Proof 65 P

ex. Chapman 4/03: 332 - Ryder - NN  $\frac{6}{23/54}$

⊗⊗ 1852 G-1 large berries Proof 65 <sup>NONE</sup> obv. with many very  
minute carbon spots, a large carbon spot between 2 & 5  
ex. R. L. Miles, Jr.: lot ?

G-2 small berries HALF CENT reverse Proof 60 + P French: 17

G-3 " " die file marks over RICA Proof 60 P Edder  $\frac{10}{17/08}$   
@ 31.50

1854 G-1 B: 125-1C Proof 60 + P NN  $\frac{6}{26/53}$

⊗⊗  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent pattern <sup>NONE</sup> Act-55 light flan striations on rev.  
ex. Randall, 1957

1855 G-1 Proof 65 P Biederhofe  $\frac{11}{55}$ : 124

1856 G-1 B: 127A-1A P Unc 60 but cleaned + recolors Edder  $\frac{11}{11}$ :

$\frac{1}{2}$  cent pattern P Proof 68 a little weak striking NN  $\frac{9}{22/52}$

✓ 1857 G-1 B: 131-1B P Proof 63 Morgan role @ 2.25

⊗⊗ Do not have. (3)

⊗ Appear to be some upgrade (4)

✓ Would be interesting to see. Either close  
in grade, die state, possible sub-variety,  
or other reason. (8)

Proof would also be interesting to see for quality  
and weight

February 24, 1957

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Dear Tett,

Thanks again for having me over this past weekend. It wasn't until I got home and had a chance to remember all that I'd seen that I could really begin to understand all I'd seen. I decided to write up my opinion on your best specimen as to CC rank as I understand it.

1793 C1.3 CC1 closest contenders are the McCleery & McGuigan specimens  
C2.2 CC1 or 2 only competition is the McCleery specimen, which I heard is available

C3.1 CC1 } "Type" collections may have slightly better coins, but I  
C4.1 CC1 know of none better.

1794 C1a.1 CC1. Unquestioned Finest  
C2a.1 CC1. You should enjoy comparing yours with the Hansen specimen  
C3a.3 CC2 By a mile  
C4a.5 CC2a.3. McGuigan specimen is finest known to me.  
C5a.2 CC4 behind the Harriman, Pick, & Smith-Geiss-Stowe-JRM coins  
C6a.2 CC on this one is Haywire. Not CC1 or 2 but probably 4a.5. behind the Brookston (Norwalk), Rawls-Cohen, The Weber (B), The Patrick specimen is just ugly.

C7.4 CC1

C8.3 CC4 behind the Brookston-Patrick, F. Bochardt, & GJ Hansen coins  
C9.3 Probably CC2 - Dr. McCleery's may be better & would be available.

1795 C1.2 This is a proof or specimen striking & likely finest known.  
The only contenders are the Mills-Bareford-JRM, + Garrett-Neftzger coins.  
C2a.2 CC1. - Contender is the G. Reale coin. May be one in a "Type" set  
C3.4 CC1 or 2 The only contender is the Dupont-Hansen coin.  
C4.2 Contenders for CC1. RSC has 2 nice ones. JRM has one & Hansen has one.

C5a.6 CC1 I would not believe Hansen's comment to the contrary. His is CC2a.3.  
C5b. JRM ex Goldman is a 65 and better than your 5a.

C6a.11 CC1 You'd be excused for fainting if a better one is ever found.

1796 C1.2 CC1 CC2 = Eliasberg CC3 = your castoff to JRM.  
C2.2 CC1 Only contender is the Patrick specimen.

1797 C1.2 CC1,2 or 3 Hanson's two Unc's may or may not be better. I know of no other contenders.

C2.11 CC1, The Garrett-Naftzger = CC2 and the 1797 C2.8 = CC3

C3a.3 CC1 3a.2 is a close contender

C3b.3 CC2 or 3 The Hansen coin = CC1

C3c.2 CC2

1800 A condition census for this variety is useless and impossible to compile.

1802 C1.4 CC1 only contenders you havent seen are the Norweb & Dupont-KP Austin  
C2.7 CC1. As I showed you, your coin has been well-known for over 100 years, coins.  
I'd like to compare it with any others!

1803 C1.6 This variety was just not plated in the normal Chapman sales (except Alvord).  
This is CC1 or misses out by a TAD.

C2.3 CC1 Turn out to be a better one, b.t. there isn't

~~C3.3~~ Probably CC1 may be the Jackman lot 863 coin

C4.3 CC1 or 2 Hanson's may be CC1

1804 C1.4 CC3

C2.2 CC1

C4.3 CC5 w/ Weller, C. Goodridge, Brockton-Norweb, P.P. no - JRM lot 1-4

C5.2 CC1 or less

C6.14 CC1 I am unaware of no other MS specimen although others may exist.

C7.3 CC8 to 10 or less

C8.6 CC 1,2,3 or 4. I'd love to see the others - Hansen, Reale, & Patrick

C9.1 CC1

C10.5 I know of no better one, but better ones may exist.

C11.3 Roger lists 2 unc's & 2 AU's, but I haven't seen or heard of them directly.

C12.4 CC1

C13.9 May still be CC2 even though I didn't think it was a full LO.

1805 C1.1 May be CC1 JRM bought his from ASC, who preferred the coin he kept & JRM's is a twin to yours. Most whist players preferred JRM's to RSC's. The JRM coin is Ex WKR so yours is better than either ~~WKR~~ or JRM.

C2.2 CC1

C3.3 CC1 C3.4 = CC2,3 or 4

C4.4 CC1 Even Hanson agrees!

1806 C1.3 It's hard to believe a better one can exist.  
C2.4 CC 3rd 4  
C3.2 CC1  
C4.5 Same comment as C1.3

1807 C1.5 May be in the top 5, I just haven't seen better ones.  
1808 C1.1 CC1, by a couple miles!  
C2.5 CC1, also by a couple miles!  
C3.6 Has to be one of the top six. I know of none that is definitely better

1809 All varieties except #2. I think JRM or RSC has a better coin for each variety.  
C2.4 CC1 See enclosures

1810 C1.4, C1.5 The only better coin would be a full red one. Have you seen such?  
I haven't even heard of one.

1811 C1.6 CC1  
C2.6 CC1

1825 C1.4 At least CC2. RSC has an MS63.  
C2.5 CC1

1826 C1.1 Dr. W. Lee may have a better one, but I doubt it considering  
WKR had previously owned both & sold A. Gross (thence to Dr. Lee) the  
earlier.

C2.2 CC2 or lower, but not much lower.

1828 C1.2 JRM, according to my notes has a '67.  
C2.3 Probably CC1 or equal to it  
C3.1 & .3 I'd like to see better ones if they exist.

1829 C1.4 CC1 or equal to it

1831 C1 I'm beginning to believe the circ. example are spent proofs.

1832 C1.6 CC1 or close to it.  
C2.2 An unbelievable proof CC1  
C3.3 Must be CC1 or close to it.

You mentioned you'd like to trade w. Gene Bragg for his 1804 C5.  
Gene is a good friend of mine, but I'd rather wrestle w. a skunk & a  
porcupine simultaneously than to try to trade away one of his treasures.  
I've also enclosed a copy of the JRM/RSC whist match & I've updated most of  
their upgrades. Hope all this information has made your contribution worthwhile

Frank

March 1, 1987

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Dear Tett,

Thanks again for letting me see your collection. You really do the rest of us a terrific service by letting us know what top-grade coins look like. For example; by seeing the planchete flaws on MS 63 1793's, one can have some idea of what a VF30 will look like. We also have an idea of what parts of the design are typically well or poorly struck. Pete Smith is pursuing many of these sorts of things in his study of Turban Cents (1808-1814), and I predict he will be one of the top cent scholars in the next few decades (if he remains interested in cents).

Back in October I handed #3 or so of John Wright's manuscript to a secretary I know in Ann Arbor, to put and paid her to type it up and put it on a disk compatible w. John's computer and word-processing program. She recently completed the book, and John may have it completed by EAC! What do you think of that?

Answers to your questions:

1. The Jay coin is crossed out because I discovered that the Jay coin is actually the 1794 CMM 5b Ex WKR-W. Weber. It is also my opinion that it was earlier Ex Brobstion since a number of Jay coins were Ex Brobstion. We can tell by going to Stack's and looking at their photographic file of the Brobstion sale. Brobstion definitely bought 1/2's from the Eaton sale, so it may have been Eaton-Brobston-Jay-X-WKR-W. Weber.
2. The notation WKR-W. Weber on p 110 means that that is Bill Weber's coin plated.
3. The Allenburger 1794 CMM #9 (p. 118 big picture) is the last Unc. listed on p. 119 as Benent-Allenburger-Bareford-Halpern-Harry Stack collection
4. The 1797 CMM 3c (your 1797.3c.3) was in a collection, Urgein, that Hanson did not know about at the time he compiled the condition census for the encyclopedias. This does prove Roger's point

that Walter & Hansen did have Roger's 2nd edition in front of them when they wrote the encyclopedia as they listed your 1802. Cl. 4 which they had never seen nor had the coin been previously photographed and yet the nick on the rev. was mentioned.

5. TT1, TT2 P etc. Refer to the Top Ten listings that Roger & Ron Gutzl put together and published in Penny Wise.
6. Does the notation on p 200 Tch/H w.s. indicate the Obv of RTch/rev w. Weber. Yes.

Any pedigree information you can provide would be greatly appreciated. I've scanned the showers listing as well as the Col. Green holdings. It's too bad photographs were not made of more of Green's coins, but that's life. I was amazed to see a 1795 G7 (CMH3) in unc. on the Green list and wondered why you hadn't shown me a coin that would be FK by a country mile; later I realized it's the VF you sold or traded to JRM! And so much for grading standards back then! When you contact Jon Hansen next, you may have him ~~explore~~ list the coins better than them in the showers collection that were listed by him as 2nd or 3rd finest, esp. those for which you, RSC, or I know of no better specimen. I mean to tell you, if he got a couple thousand back in 1876 to tell where coins ranked, you'd think he'd list the coins as finest known if they were at all (so they'd bring more money).

If I'm a good boy and get a lot of work done, I may come to Dallas for EAC. It will probably be a while before I get another big dose of pedigree information straightened out, so don't expect much in Dallas.

Del Bland sent me a list of the top 1/2¢'s in the Byron Reed bequest to the Omaha City Library. They're listed on the next page.

1796 G-1 VF-25, 35 scratches on obv. Ex. Parry Lee sale, 1890

1828 G-3 MS 63

1831 ~~G-3~~ 2nd Restrike, rev of 1856, Proof 60<sup>+</sup> (accin you lack)

1836 .. .. .. 60, a couple nicks

1840 G-1 EF 40, 60, but cleaned, recolored, w. carbon spot, rough fla-

1841 G-1 Proof 55

1842 1st restrike Proof 60<sup>+</sup>

1843 1st restrike Proof 60<sup>+</sup>

1844 2nd .. .. 60

1845 .. .. .. 60<sup>+</sup>

1846 .. .. .. 60

1847 .. .. .. 60<sup>+</sup>

1848 1st .. .. 63

1852 2nd .. .. 60<sup>+</sup> with die file marks over RICA in  
contrast to W. Breen's notes of 1st restrike - 3 known (It's still the rare  
one).

1856 Proof 55

1856 1/2¢ pattern in AU. Del did not see the coin

1893 G-2 (CMW4) Ex. Cleareay; 1936 as AU-50, this is one of

the two listed by GTH as better than your 1793 C-4. 1

By being Tetlenhorst, it seem to me, you can get away for a while  
from being B.E. I doubt if it's exactly like The Prince and The  
Parrot, but close. I heard that Woodrow Wilson's daughter  
eluded their secret service guards (or whatever they well called them)  
and had a great time going through the White House as tourists.

Yours

P.S. I wrote the other letter first, but am mailing both together.

Dear Toth,

3/1/87

Thanks again for letting me see your stuff.

The two coins I could hardly believe were the 1795  
C1.2 and the 1805 C3.3 because I didn't know  
they were so nice.

Give my best regards to your beautiful wife  
and to Eric Newman. Is there anything that Eric  
is not interested in; he is an absolutely amazing man,  
and I think the professors I've known are bright, but  
he is unbelievably bright.

God bless all

Yours

P.S. This was a birthday card, and I removed the  
greeting. I hope you do a bit more than fish  
when you retire - like take some time out to  
compare your collection w/ a few others.

F.

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June 17, 2002

Dr. Frank Wilkinson  
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Dear Frank:

Here is an interesting little item for you. After I showed Eric your letter and e-mail about the Newcomb half cents, he went down to his basement files and dug out the attached. It is a record of the acquisition of the Colonel Green half cent collection by him in partnership with Burdette G. Johnson in April of 1943. Eric keeps good files! The cover page shows that they acquired 418 half cents for \$2,500. There follows the division of the important coins between Eric and Burdette Johnson, with Johnson's estimated retail price. This may help you further link some of the Newcomb coins to the Missouri Cabinet. All of the coins on the left hand columns eventually went into the Missouri Cabinet, although a few have been subsequently traded as I acquired, or owned, better ones.

In any case, this should make enjoyable reading for you. Eric sends his regards.

Sincerely,

*Tett*

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Enclosures

✓c: Eric P. Newman

Half Cents

418 coins

23	1793	1/2	✓	250
28	1794		✓	100
15	1795	1/2	⑥✓	50
	1796	Pale good	(two)	✓, 100
	1796	Pale unc	for \$150 <sup>00</sup>	✓, 100
9	1797	1/2	⑫✓	
4	1802			
10	1811			
1831	1831	3 large	1 small .. (one missing)	
1836	1836	III	I	✓
1840	1840	I	II	✓
41	1841	III	I	✓
42	1842	III		✓ 1500
43	1843	I		✓ 5#
44	1844	I	I	✓
45	1845	I	II	✓ 110
46	1846	III	II	✓
47	1847	III		✓
48	1848	II	III	✓
49	1849	I	III	✓
52	1852	III		✓

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COINS DELIVERED TO ERIC F. NEWMAN AND B.G. JOHNSON  
 FROM GREEN COLLECTION OF 1/2 CENTS

April 43

EPN

B.G.J.

793	G. 1. Unc., and absolutely splendid light olive on obv. red changing to olive on reverse	bxcm	125.00	1793	G. 2. Unc.,	lxmc 100.00
				1793	Fine	mxco 25.00
794	G. 4. Unc., reddish olive	oexl	75.00	1794	G. 8. Unc., splendid	mxex 75.00
795	With pole. Punctuated date. Unc., olive	bexc	27.50	1795	G. 5. Very fine	oex 12.50
				1796	G. 6. Very fine	exc 16.00
"	G. 1. Lettered edge with pole to cap. Unc., red	mxel	75.00	1794	G. 9. Unc., red	excm 75.00
"	G. 5. Without pole to cap. Unc., splendid	mxco	40.00	1793	G. 1. V.fine	mxco 27.50
"	Plain edge. Without pole to cap Struck over a Talbot-Allum and Lee Cent. Unc.	bexc	15.00	1794	G. 9. Fine	oax 12.50
796	With pole. Very good, strong. bxcm		150.00	1797	V.fine, some scratches	lue 10.00
				1798	Pole. V.good	fxcm 125.00
				1800	Splendid red olive.Unc.	nxm 15.00
797	1 over 1 of date. Ex. fine	bexc	20.00	1797	G. 2. V.good	lex 12.50
				"	Let. edge. V.fair	oex 8.50
"	G. 3. Unc.	mxco	60.00	1795	Let. Edge. Punctuated date. Unc., olive	uax 60.00
800	Unc., red	bexc	15.00	1794	G. 1. Unc., chocolate	exc 35.00
803	Unc., nearly bright red.	bexc	20.00			
804	G. 4. Unc.	bex	2.50			
"	G. 8. Crosslet 4. Severe die break. Unc.	bex	3.50			
"	G. 3. Crosslet 4. Stemless. Unc.	bex	3.50	1797	Plain edge. Fine	otm 12.50
"	Plain 4. Stemless. Unc.	bex	2.50			
"	" " " With stems. G. 1. Fine	exc	10.00	1804	Plain 4. Stems.V.fine	ue 10.00
805	G. 2. Unc., original red.	bexc	12.50	1803	Unc., red	mxm 25.00
"	Unc., splendid red color	bexc	15.00	1809	" olive	mxco 2.50

104	G. 1. Small 6. Stemless wreath Unc., red	ex	7.50	1805 Stemless. Unc.	oex	7.50
	" Small 6. Stems to wreath. Unc., ex. rare	bfx	20.00	1806 over '07 V.fine	lxc	20.00
	" Large 6. Stems to wreath. Unc., bright red	noe	4.00	1807 Unc., splendid	lxc	15.00
				}		
207	Curious die break on edge of obv. Unc., red	lxc	12.50	1804 Crosslet 4. V.fine	ee	1.25
208	over '07 Unc., splendid olive. Possibly the finest known specimen	exxc	75.00	1793 G. 2. Unc., splendid. light olive	lxxm	100.00
209	Unc., splendid dark olive	bxx	12.50	1802 Abt. v.good	noe	10.00
			1803 V.fine	ex	3.50	
210	G. 2. Unc., brown olive	bxx	4.00	1809 over '06 Unc.	ex	7.50
	" G. 1. Unc., olive	bxx	3.00	)		
211	over '06 Unc., glossy olive	ex	12.50	1809 over '06 Unc., olive	ue	10.00
			1809 Unc., olive	noe	2.50	
212	Unc., splendid olive	bxx	25.00	1810 Unc., glossy olive	exc	25.00
213	G. 1. Abt. unc., olive	bxx	30.00	1811 G. 2. Unc., some bruises	ux	35.00
1825	Unc., red	xx	2.50	1800 V.fine	ex	2.50
1826	Splendid dark red proof	bxx	15.00	1794 G. 1. Very fine	lxc	15.00
1828	12 stars. Unc., glossy chocolate	bxx	7.50	1803 G. 3. Abt. unc. 1828 12 stars. Unc. olive	xxo	2.50 5.00
" 13	" " bright red	bxx	2.00	1828 12 stars. Cleaned	ee	1.50
1829	Unc., very bright red	xx	2.50	1805 G. 1. Fine	ex	2.50
1831	Die break on rev. Brill. proof	lxxm	60.00	Already received. 1831 proof	lxxm	60.00
1832	G. 1. Unc., bright red	bxx	2.50	1806 G. 3. Abt. unc.	ex	2.25
1833	Brilliant proof	ex	12.50	1811 G. 1. Very fine 1807 Ex. fine	noe ex	7.50 5.00
1834	Unc., bright red	bex	2.00	1834 Unc., red	ex	2.00
1835	Unc., bright red	bex	2.00	1835 Unc., red	ee	2.00

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1836 Perfect brilliant proof 1xcm 60.00 Already received. 1836 Proof 1xcm 60.00

\* With reverse of the type of  
1840. Perfect bril. proof lxxm 75.00 1849 Small date. Small berries  
Proof lxxm 85.00

1840 Large berries. Splendid proof 1mm 60.00 1840 Small berries. Proof 1mm 60.00

1841 " " Bril. proof lvsca 65.00 Already received. 1841 large berries. Proof lvsca 65.00

1842 Small " Perfect pr. msl 65.00 Alread rec. 1842 small berries  
priced msl 65.00

1843 Large " " " 1cm 65.00 1841 Large berries, Pril.pr. 1cm 65.00

1844 Large " " " 1xcm 65.00 1844 Small berries. Proof 1xcm 65.00

1845 Small " Brill. proof lxm 65.00 1846 Small " Brill. pr. lxm 65.00

1846 " " " 1xcon 60.00 Already rec. 1846 Large berries  
proof 1xcon 20.00

1847 " " " 1xen 66.00 " " 1847 Small berries  
Proof 1xen 66.00

1848 Large " " red " 1xcm 75.00 " " 1848 Small berries  
Proof 1xcm 66.00

1849 \* date. Unc., semi-proof 5.00 1849 Large date. Unc. red 4.00

1849 Small date. Small berries. olive ex 1.25  
Very brilliant proof axon 85.00 1849 Small date. Small berries

1850 Unc., red  
boe 1.50 1850 Unc., some red  
boe 1.25

1852 Small berries. July 25. 1900 42-03 Alfred van 1852 small berries

1863 Dec 20 - 1863 Dec 21

1866 Unc., bright red 1866 " red

1886 Pattern  
Regular type in copper  
nickel. AW 216. Proof book 12.50

1856 Brilliant, sharp bright red proof 15.00 1840 Small berries. Polished proof 40.00

1857 Splendid purple pr. books 18.00

1790.75 # 1821.75

Subj: **The Year of Your Embarrassment**  
Date: 9/10/2011 4:16:59 P.M. Central Daylight Time  
From: [fwilkinson1@yahoo.com](mailto:fwilkinson1@yahoo.com)  
To: [halfcent@aol.com](mailto:halfcent@aol.com)  
Hi Tett

Congratulations on acquiring the 1847 First Restrike!!!!!!!

I recall that when John Wright and I photographed your half cents that when we came to the 1847's, you said, "This is the year of my embarrassment." That is no longer true!

I had gotten to the point that I was seriously doubtful as to the actual existence of the variety. Is this the very coin you nearly bought nearly forty years ago that was withdrawn from the Kagins sale before your agent could even bid on it? (This is one story you told me not to repeat, and I haven't).

I understand that your duplicates and residual errors did well. I rather expected them to.

About the primes: The formula works super for gaps of 6 and 12. 18 is another matter. I just do not have the time to check into it at this time. If you will take the time to wade through how I came up with the formula, I will put it all together during my free time.

By the way, your proof for the existence of a prime gap that is infinite also proved something else-as a corollary: Since all prime gaps above the number 3 are even, then infinity is an even number. (This is actually meant to be a joke). Hope you appreciate the humor.

Tell Marylin and the family I said hello.

Frank Wilkinson

## Results of Cohen-McGuigan Whist match Falls, 1982

1985 J

1793	1	R	Logan 55	45/40	Rogis has a small Edge Dinge
	2	J	King 40	R's is sharper, but dark	
	3	J	60	25/12	
	4	J		20/15, but R's have a huge lamination	
1794	1a	J		50/40	
	b	R			20 dark and a bit pitted / 6
	2a	R		40/35	Close, but slightly sharper + better surfaces
	b	R		6/0	sharpness of 12, dark porous also a good <sup>up</sup> color
	3a	R		25/12	
	b	R		12/0	Sharpness of 20, but dark Ex Gross
	4a	J		60 <sup>1</sup> /35-40	
	b	R		10/0	Sharpness of 15, but has rim bruises
	5a	J	40-45	30/30	Better color was the factor
	b			None	12-plated in AHC #1 - Ex Rawls unattributed - dark, but nice
1795	6a	R		12/7	
	b			None	
	7	R		40/20	R-Ex Rawls, dark, proof like - J-Ex Brobst
	8	J		12/12	J's have better color + surfaces - broken rev - R-unbrd
	9.	J		60 <sup>1</sup> /35	and Cleaned
	1	J		50/30	The 30 is proof like
	2a	R	2. 40-50	40/10	The 40 is P.L. w. rev. lamination
	2b	R		15/0	Ex - Eaton - Dupont - Spence - R.S.C.
	3	J		20/10	20 Ex OCT collection w. HALF GENT Strong
	4.	R		J 50 R 45	R-plated in AHC #1
1796	5a	J		40/25	R's more desirable on better strike. J. Ex Brobst miles
	b	J		65/10	A/76 sale
	6a	J		35/30	65 Ex Dr. Bolt
	6b	R	20	12/12	J-sharper R-better color + surface
	1	J		55/6	R has better color + surface, but a couple marks
	2.	J		60 <sup>1</sup> /7	J-Ex Dupont R-Ex Peters
1797	1	R		60/50	J- P.L. Red on Obv., dark on Rev.
	2	R	45	30/30	R-Ex Blaisdell - from an Elds Sale of 1934 also
	3a	R		25/25	J very slightly sharper, R much better color
	b	J		30/12	That close
1800	c	R		12/0	Overkill
	1	J		65/60	These grips are obvious
1802	1	R		25/15	Brilliant versus subdued red
	2	R	38	6/4	R-Ex N.E.R.C.G. Both Nice
					A problem free 6.

Tot. I made  
notes in the  
upgrades in the  
middle column

1803	1	J	55/45	Almost overkill
	2	J	20/15	Ungar coin (RSC) is dark & scratched on obv.
	3	R	60/50	
	4	J	8 45/40	J - Esp sharp on obv.
1804	1	<sup>R 60</sup> J	40/50	RSC has marks on bust
	2	R	8/4	8 = Ungar coin, dark w super surface 4 - Ex DWL - porous
	4	J	<sup>R 15</sup> 25/12	<del>15/12</del>
	5	J	55/55	R = sharper w. bad color (I went against everyone else)
	6	J	55/55	who thought R = 60 J - better color
	7	J	50/40	yo has the break
	8	R	60+50-55	R - Ex Brobst
	9	J	60/50	J - Ex WKR
	10	R	60/60	R - more lustrous J - better color
	11	R	45/40	
	12	J	60+55	SS = 60 w edge damage K7 on obv.
	13	J	60/60	J's has red.
1805	1	J	60+60	
	2	J	<u>8/15</u>	J - Ex Brobst - Showers R - sharper w ding on Rev.
	3	R	<u>15</u>	
	4	R	60/55 (?)	R - sharper J - better color & may be slightly worn
1806	1	J	60's	Red over blue green - same nice color & surface.
	2	R	<sup>J 50</sup> 45/35	
	3	J	7/7	J - has better color R - had Red (corrosion?) Robo
	4	J	65's	is sharper J <del>60</del> is sharper R - no crack J has crack P Cud Blazing versus subdued red.
1807	1	J	55+50	
1808	1	R	5/0	Nicer than it looks in AHC #1
	2	R	40/30	
	3	R	60/	I didn't record the grade for JRM
1809	1	Tie	35+40	J - sharper, but recolored w. a small mark on face.
	2	J	50/40	
	3	R	65/	J - didn't record grade
	4	R	65/	J - didn't record grade
	5	J	60+55	
	6	R	60/55	
1810	1	J	60's	J - better color & luster 75 versus 100% black
1811	1	J	45/40-45	by a tad
	2	R	60's	by a tad
1825	1	R	60/50	R - olive & lustrous
	2	R	60/50+	Both have obv. rim dings
1826	1	R	63/60	
	2	R	60/55	> 5 points difference

1828	1	J	67/60	Red versus olive
	2	R	60/50 <sup>+</sup>	
	3	J	65/60	
1829	1	R	65/65	40 versus 20%. Red
1831	1	R	40/40	Color preference
1832	1	R	60 <sup>+</sup> /55	
	2	J	65/65	J - more luster
	3	J	60 <sup>+</sup> /55	J - very lustrous
1833	1	J	70/65	
1834	1	J	70/65	
1835	1	J	<u>68</u> 70/65	
	2	J	67/65	
1849	1	R	60 <sup>+</sup> /	J - ungraded
1850	1	R	63/55	
1851	1	R	70/45	
1853	1	R	67/63	R - redder
1854	1	J	65/63	
1855	1	J	70/67	
1856	1	J	70/69	
1857	1	J	65/63	

## Scorers

	Roger	Jim
F. Wilkinson	+4	
D. Valanziano	+4	
R. Shinkus		+7
G. Craig		+28 (!)
R. Guth		Did not grade all.
S. Fischer		+15
J. Kane		+1
M. Evans		+7
R. Tattenhorst		+11
B. Yual	+5	